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MINING LIFE SCIENCE DATA**

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination of the above-identified utility patent application, Applicant submits this preliminary amendment pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.115. Please amend the present application as follows, without prejudice, and consider the foregoing remarks:

- **Amendment to the Claims** begins on page 2 of this Preliminary Amendment.
- **Remarks** are on page 8 of this Preliminary Amendment.